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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of October 4, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 4, 2006, the period for response having been extended to March 6, 2006 (March 4, 2006 falling on a Saturday) by the enclosed Request for a (two-month) Extension of Time, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objection, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.
Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.